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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

INGO F. HERRMANN

Application No. 09/913,617

Filed: January 8, 2002

For: DEFORMABLE FIBERSCOPE
WITH A DISPLACEABLE
SUPPLEMENTARY DEVICE

Customer No. 20350

Confirmation No. 4164

Examiner: John P. Leubecker

Technology Center/Art Unit: 3739

AMENDMENT

San Francisco, CA 94111

March 22, 2004

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicant requests a one-month extension of time from February 21, 2004 to March 21, 2004, and on the attached RCE Transmittal authorizes the Commissioner to charge the fee therefor, and any additional fee that may be due, to our deposit account in accordance with the Transmittal sheet information.

In response to the Advisory Action dated February 18, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

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